

## More about Bridges for Children

BRIDGES FOR CHILDREN IS OVERSEEN BY AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF VARIOUS COMMUNITY AGENCIES INCLUDING:

MINISTRY OF SOCIAL SERVICES  
RCMP

LIVING SKY SCHOOL DIVISION

LIGHT OF CHRIST CATHOLIC SCHOOL  
DIVISION

NORTH BATTLEFORD FIRE DEPT

BATTLEFORDS TRIBAL COUNCIL  
FAMILY SERVICE

KANAWEYIMIK FAMILY SERVICES

CONCERN FOR YOUTH

CHILD & YOUTH SERVICES

LIVING FAITH CHAPEL

CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES



THE BRIDGES FOR CHILDREN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETS REGULARLY TO GIVE DIRECTION TO BRIDGES FOR CHILDREN AND TO ENSURE THAT THE GOALS OF THE PROGRAM ARE BEING MET. THE COMMITTEE IS RESPONSIBLE TO RECEIVE AND ASSESS ALL REFERRALS TO THE BRIDGES FOR CHILDREN PROGRAM.

BRIDGES FOR CHILDREN IS OPERATED FROM LIVING FAITH CHAPEL AS A PART OF OUR COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING. IT IS OUR DESIRE TO SEE OUR COMMUNITY STRENGTHENED BY STRENGTHENING THE MOST IMPORTANT FOUNDATION OF OUR COMMUNITY...THE FAMILY.

ALTHOUGH LIVING FAITH CHAPEL IS A CHRISTIAN ORGANIZATION, OUR CARE IS OFFERED FREE TO ALL; REGARDLESS OF GENDER, RACE OR RELIGION

### Other Community Programming offered by Living Faith Chapel:

Crystal's Home

### Other Community Partnerships:

Grief Share Recovery Group (sponsored by Battlefords Ministerial Association ran out of LFC)

Battleford District Food and Resource Centre

Living Water Ministries (First Nations Church ran out of LFC)

Cornerstone Community Outreach (Soup Kitchen ran out of LFC)

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### *Your Family Is Important!*



THE MOST IMPORTANT BUILDING BLOCK OF OUR COMMUNITY IS THE FAMILY. YOUR FAMILY IS IMPORTANT AND UNIQUE; WITH UNIQUE STRENGTHS AND CHALLENGES.

BRIDGES FOR CHILDREN USES A FAMILY CENTERED PROCESS CALLED "WRAPAROUND" TO HELP FAMILIES WHO ARE FACING CHALLENGES.

# Frequently Asked Questions About Wraparound



## WHAT IS WRAPAROUND?



“WRAPAROUND” IS A FAMILY PROGRAM WHICH HELPS FAMILIES PUT TOGETHER A FAMILY CARE PLAN. WHEN YOUR FAMILY IS FACING DIFFICULTIES,

“WRAPAROUND” CAN HELP. BRIDGES FOR CHILDREN KNOWS THAT EVERY FAMILY IS UNIQUE, SO EVERY FAMILY WILL HAVE A DIFFERENT PLAN. THAT’S THE BEST THING ABOUT “WRAPAROUND”; IT’S ALL ABOUT YOUR FAMI-

## WRAPAROUND IS NOT...

LY’S STRENGTHS AND NEEDS.

...JUST ANOTHER TYPE OF SERVICE OR PROGRAM. IT IS NOT ANOTHER AGENCY FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT. WRAPAROUND WILL HELP MAKE

## WHAT DOES IT LOOK LIKE?

YOUR FAMILY STRONGER AND WILL GIVE YOU HOPE FOR TOMORROW.

WRAPAROUND LOOKS LIKE A BLANKET OF CARING PEOPLE “WRAPPED AROUND” YOUR FAMILY. THOSE PEOPLE BELIEVE IN YOU AND WANT TO HELP YOUR FAMILY FACE YOUR DIFFICULTIES.

YOUR FAMILY WILL WORK CLOSELY WITH A WRAPAROUND COORDINATOR WHO WILL THEN DECIDE WHO WILL BE ON YOUR FAMILY TEAM.

## WHAT IS A FAMILY TEAM?

YOUR FAMILY TEAM WILL BE MADE UP OF PEOPLE WHO KNOW YOU WELL. THIS GROUP OF PEOPLE WILL WORK WITH YOU TO MAKE A FAMILY CARE PLAN. THE FAMILY TEAM MAKES A COMMITMENT TO SUPPORT YOU AND YOUR FAMILY— NO MATTER WHAT.

## WHO IS ON THE FAMILY TEAM?

YOUR FAMILY IS ALWAYS AT THE CENTER OF THE WRAPAROUND PROCESS. EVERY IDEA SHARED AND EVERY PART OF THE CARE PLAN IS THERE TO HELP YOUR FAMILY WITH THE THINGS THAT YOU THINK ARE IMPORTANT.

THE FACILITATOR IS A PERSON WHO HELPS YOU. THEY WILL PARTNER WITH YOUR FAMILY AS THE CARE PLAN IS PUT INTO PRACTICE. THE FACILITATOR IS THE PERSON THAT WILL PROVIDE THE MOST CONTACT WITH YOUR FAMILY. THEY WILL ALSO LEAD THE FAMILY TEAM MEETINGS.

OTHER TEAM MEMBERS WILL INCLUDE PEOPLE WHO KNOW YOU AND ARE OF HELP TO YOU. TEAM MEMBERS MAY INCLUDE NEIGHBORS, FAMILY, TEACHERS, AGENCY WORKERS, ETC. (FOR EXAMPLE: YOU MAY WANT SOMEONE FROM YOUR CHILD’S SCHOOL TO BE ON THE FAMILY TEAM.)

## WHO MAKES THE FINAL DECISIONS?

WRAPAROUND IS ALL ABOUT YOUR FAMILY, SO YOUR FAMILY HAS THE FINAL SAY IN EVERY PART OF THE PROCESS. EACH FAMILY TEAM MEMBER AND EACH PART OF THE CARE PLAN MUST HAVE YOUR APPROVAL.

## HOW DOES IT WORK?

### STEP #1—GETTING INVOLVED

THE COORDINATOR WILL DISCUSS YOUR FAMILY’S STRENGTHS AND NEEDS WITH YOU. YOU WILL ALSO BEGIN TO DECIDE WHO WILL BE ON YOUR FAMILY TEAM. THE COORDINATOR WILL HELP CONTACT THESE PEOPLE AND ARRANGE A FAMILY TEAM MEETING.

### STEP #2—THE TEAM MEETING

YOUR TEAM WILL MEET TO DEVELOP YOUR FAMILY CARE PLAN. YOU AND YOUR TEAM WILL TALK ABOUT YOUR STRENGTHS, PAST SUCCESS AND LOCAL SUPPORTS. THEN THE TEAM WILL TALK ABOUT YOUR CONCERNS; AND TOGETHER YOU WILL FORM A CARE PLAN TO MEET YOUR NEEDS. THAT MEANS YOUR PLAN WILL TRY TO MAKE USE OF ALL THE THINGS THAT MAKE YOUR FAMILY SPECIAL, STRONG AND CAPABLE.

### STEP #3—CARRYING OUT THE PLAN

ONCE THE PLAN HAS BEEN WRITTEN AND SIGNED BY ALL THE TEAM MEMBERS, THE TEAM WILL BEGIN TO CARRY IT OUT. THE COORDINATOR ACTS LIKE THE COACH OF THE TEAM TO MAKE SURE EVERY TEAM MEMBER IS DOING THEIR PART OF THE PLAN.

### STEP #4—PROGRESS REVIEW

THE TEAM WILL GET TOGETHER REGULARLY TO SEE WHAT HAPPENS AND WHAT STILL NEEDS TO HAPPEN. IF NEW CONCERNS COME UP, NEW GOALS WILL BE MADE. THIS PROCESS WILL CONTINUE UNTIL YOUR FAMILY BELIEVES YOUR GOALS HAVE BEEN REACHED.